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Nancy Coté likes the constitution just the way it is

ASUS forgets Industrial Relations students

by Terry Cullinan

Industrial Relations students have had no students' association this term because elections held last spring were overturned by the Arts and Science Undergraduate Society (ASUS). The ASUS still has not held new elections.

The spring elections gave Brian Flanagan the Presidency over Kyle Cormier by three votes and the Vice Presidency to Cameron McKay over Chris Paabo by one vote.

"The main reason for overturning the elections was that they were so close. Only a few votes decided the outcome and we felt that the scrutineers could clearly have influenced the way people voted," said ASUS President Jeremy Boal.

Last year's MIRA VP Barbara Morningstar has requested a Judicial hearing be held to determine who is responsible for holding new elections. Morningstar said ASUS has been negligent in not holding new elections to replace the ones they overturned. The hearing has been set for Tuesday, October 18.

Morningstar said that if ASUS were taking responsibility for their actions, they would have opened MIRA nominations September 12 and held new elections a week later, as they said they would.

Excerpts of the minutes of the ASUS meeting read "elections for all MIRA positions be reopened the second week of September, and that the elections for said positions be held within one week of that time. These elections shall be held under the auspices of the ASUS council."

Boal admitted the ASUS is at fault for not organizing elections this September. "Sure, it was probably our responsibility. Only we've been missing the minutes from all meetings held last year, so

we can't be sure we are the ones responsible. But because the complaint was filed, we are now waiting for the judicial board hearing Tuesday to clear things up."

Morningstar said that ASUS blamed her for the delays because she took so long to file a complaint.

"I filed a complaint with the Judicial Board on October third because I had other matters to attend to. I'm not the executive. It is not my responsibility. There is no MIRA to take care of things this year," she said.

ASUS overturned the elections because of "clear irregularities" in the voting procedure, and negligence by the MIRA election committee, according to Boal.

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SSMU councillors propose increased student input

by Mitu Sengupta

Four student councillors have proposed a set of amendments to the Students' Society of McGill University (SSMU) constitution designed to give students a more direct say in students' society decisions.

According to Arts representative to Council Montgomery Shillington, the amendments' primary objectives are to increase students' voice in SSMU policy matters, to make the SSMU executives more responsible to the student body and to make the running of the Society more efficient.

One amendment proposes that the SSMU Vice President Finance be elected from the student body in general rather than from among pre-elected councillors as he or she is now. Although this proposal is not expected to meet much opposition from Councillors, a number of the amendments are controversial.

Students' Society may open up to more students

The most controversial amendment is one that creates a Student Initiated Referendum (SIR), which would allow students to initiate direct change to the SSMU Constitution and its By-Laws.

According to the amendment, a petition signed by at least 500 McGill students could initiate a referendum on a constitutional question. If students voted in favour of the SIR question, the changes proposed by it would be confirmed and adopted by SSMU.

Currently, students wishing to amend the Constitution must have

their proposal signed by four Council members. The proposal is then debated at Council, and only if it passes by a two-thirds majority can it go to student referendum.

SSMU President Nancy Coté did not support this amendment. "We have to be careful in defining what a constitution is, and that substantial changes are not subject to passing fancy," she said.

The amendment also proposes, however, that all SIR questions be subject to review by the Judicial Board to ensure that they are constructively inclined. It also gives the Judicial Board the power to declare any SIR question invalid.

Students to review Society staff

Another controversial amendment proposes setting up a student committee for reviewing paid staff members of the Society.

At present, students can file complaints against SSMU paid staff with the Executive Director, who is also a paid employee.

The amendment would allow SSMU councillors to review the complaints along with the Director. A Staff Review Committee would be created, consisting of the Director, the President, and four elected members from the Students' Council. The amendment requires the Student Review Committee to meet at least once a year.

The main aim of this amendment is to confirm student councillors' responsibility to the student body.

But Coté said that according to the letter of agreement between SSMU and the University the Society's full time staff are McGill employees, and as such are entitled

to the rights and privileges of other University employees. Such an agreement does not allow for student review. Coté said SSMU staff are regarded as University employees so they can enjoy more employment benefits and provide continuity.

The SSMU is responsible for salaries, allowances and direct fringe benefits of its staff.

"Since students pay for all the staff positions through the Society, there should be some way by which we can review them," said Clubs representative Freya Kodar, a signator of the amendments.

Other amendments included the establishment of a Policy Review Committee which would be responsible for reviewing current and past SSMU policies.

Shillington said the proposals are not really "radical" and that he hopes Councillors will be receptive to them.

Changes in executive positions

Two of the amendments require that SSMU executives, the President and VPs Finance, Internal, External and University Affairs take a maximum of only nine credits per academic semester. According to Shillington, this change will allow the elected representatives to devote more time to their responsibilities.

SSMU VP University Affairs Maria Battaglia said she took "personal offense" at these particular amendments. Battaglia, who is currently taking a full course load (15 credits) said the amendment failed to take into account the varying abilities of individuals.

Another amendment concerned with SSMU executive positions proposed that executive honoraria (\$500 each) be abolished and that the executives be paid on an hourly basis.

"The executive positions would be more like paid jobs, requiring more time commitment, and less like extracurricular activities," Shillington said.

Many Canadian universities treat students' society/union positions as full-time jobs. The University of Western Ontario even restricts student councillors from taking any academic courses.

Coté opposed this amendment on the grounds that making SSMU positions into full time jobs would encourage students to run for the positions because they need employment, and "not because of the contribution they can make."

She also said the change would be more expensive for the SSMU. The councillors salaries would ultimately come from students' pockets.

New ID cards may reduce voter turnout for November elections

by Zeb Brown

Students' Society is considering spending \$11 000 to send voter cards to students and prevent duplicate voting in November's elections.

Registrar J.P. Schuller said the old method of puncturing identification cards after a student casts his or her ballot is no longer practical, since damaging the new computerized ID cards invalidates them.

"We want to do everything we can to supervise the election process and make sure that voting is accurate and valid," he said. "We don't want to downplay security and have a high turnout of a lot of people who have voted several times."

According to a Senate by-law, student elections must have at least 10 per cent turnout to be valid. A

turnout of 13 per cent at a McGill election is considered good.

Schuller said SSMU's plan is necessary to ensure "security, ease of access, and turnout. But the most important thing is turnout."

CKUT Station Manager Sue Elrington said, "If [the voter card plan] were to happen, it would affect voter turnout to the disadvantage of anyone running a referendum," Elrington said. "For the majority of students, it will add one more hitch in the process, and with such low turnout normally, we can't afford to hurt the process."

According to Elrington the proposed referendum to increase radio station fees will have less of a chance if the card plan passes. She says the referendum would probably be overwhelmingly supported under normal election conditions.

Schuller said other plans have been suggested, like stickers, but the final decision will be based on a "judgement call as to what matters most, while allowing students to vote at different stations." By next year, a computerized system should be installed to read the bar codes on ID cards and prevent double voting.

"Turnout now is low compared to other universities, and I suspect we are very close to the bottom limit," said Schuller. "People feel strongly about issues or candidates, and would turn out even if you tried to hide the polling station. I would really be quite surprised if turnout goes much lower. If anything, the voter card may remind people and stimulate interest, and help to increase turnout."

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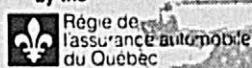
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Legal Aid asks students to return favour

by Lydia Mamane
and Carla Malinoff

Staff of the Legal Aid Clinic are circulating a petition seeking student support for a proposed referendum in early November. The Clinic will ask for \$1.50 per semester directly from students in their efforts to break away McGill Students' Society funding.

In June, the Students' Society of McGill University (SSMU) threatened to cut funding for the Clinic in 1989, on the grounds that student funds have been used by the Clinic to provide counselling for the general public.

Although the Clinic is mandated to provide legal aid to students, it also serves members of the Montréal community.

Clinic Director Annette Lefebvre says the Legal Aid Clinic is overseen by a number of Montréal based lawyers and notaries who give free advice on legal pro-

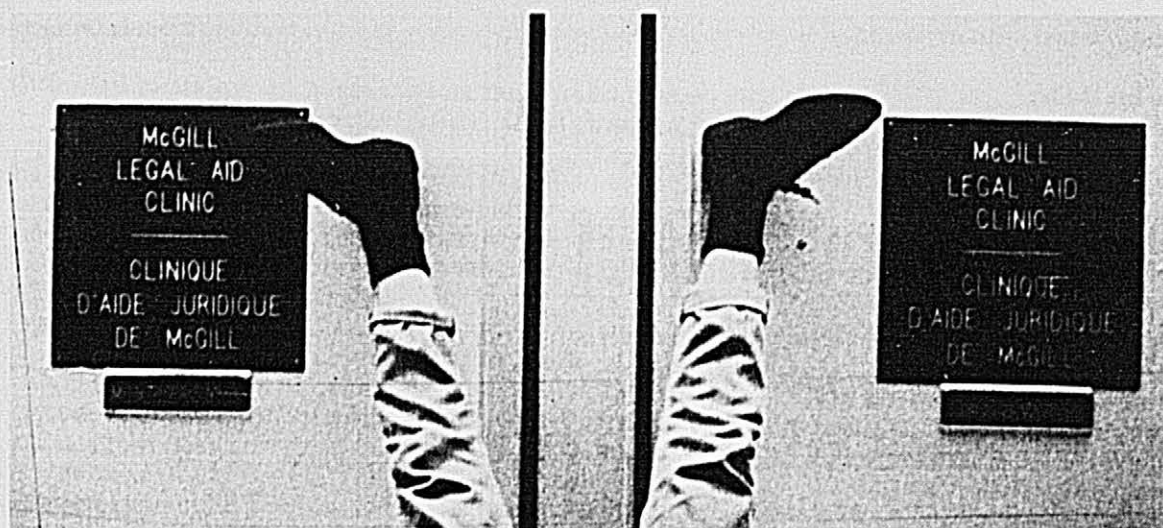
cedures and decisions to the Clinic's student directors. In return, the Clinic sends clients requiring professional legal help to these lawyers.

Clinic members say that if they are forced to change their mandate, they will lose their legal connections with these lawyers. For this reason, budget cuts and mandate reforms are neither acceptable nor affordable, Clinic members say.

In a previous interview with the *Daily*, Lefebvre said, "We think that the least painful way to resolve the conflict is to take the matter to a student initiated referendum."

SSMU hasn't given the legal aid clinic a budget increase since 1981. The staff members of the clinic are asking for the help of those they represent: the students.

The clinic opened in 1972. Its main purpose has been to give free information regarding legal matters. It is staffed by over sixty volunteer law students who are advised by lawyers. Approximately 3000 clients visit the service annu-



legal aid clinic turned upside down

ally. They seek information on consumer protection, family matters, and landlord-tenant problems.

According to Lefebvre, complaints of sexual harassment are heard at least once a week. "Sexual harassment is something we are dealing with more and more. It is something that most women worry about, but don't know what to do.

We encourage students to ask questions and know what their rights are."

The volunteers at Legal Aid inform people about their rights, and suggest ways of taking action.

Although they do not give legal counsel they refer victims to professionals and organizations that can deal with a problem legally,

medically, and emotionally. One of these organizations is the Women's Information and Referral centre.

It is a misconception that legal aid only gives out free pamphlets. "It is a place for students to go for answers," says Lefebvre.

In her opinion the clinic is the initial step in resolving a students legal dilemma.

Says Stacy Kravitz, a U1 Arts student, "Because its free legal advice to students, its a worthwhile contribution to the university."

Sexist ads in STD campaign

by Anne-Marie Perrotta

The Québec Ministry of Health believes that encouraging sexual stereotypes and misconceptions makes for effective advertising.

On September 12 The Québec Ministry of Health and Social Services launched the second half of a two year advertising campaign on Socially Transmitted Diseases (STDs).

The first advertisement in the three part series is of a man who is labelled the "cruiser". He 'lives for one night stands' and believes that he is immune to STDs because he has not contracted any, yet.

In the ad, he talks about women as if they were chocolates or peanuts: "I can't get enough of them. When I am with one, I want another. Until I got Chlamydia."

Marc Pouliot, Communications Agent for the Ministry of Health, agrees that the ad may be insulting and outrageous to women, but he thinks the ad relates to reality. Pouliot said the ad uses "everyday language."

"That is the way some of these 'cruisers' talk," he said. "It is usual for men to put the blame on women [for spreading STDs]," he said.

The *Daily* ran the ad, but deleted this part of the text as sexist.

"We chose a man to portray the cruiser because the next two character types in the series are being portrayed by women," said Robert DesLauriers of Leveille, Vickers and Benson, the advertising firm in charge of this year's and last year's campaigns.

The campaign, geared toward those in the 15-35 year old age group, is concentrating on three high risk groups: the 'cruiser',

those 'semi-stable', and those 'stable'.

These three groups constitute 80 per cent of sexually active people who are at risk of contracting a socially transmitted disease. The other 20 percent are homosexuals and drug addicts. "But those groups have the CLSCs and people on the street to help them," said DesLauriers.

The second ad in the series, which was released in October 10, is geared towards the woman whose relationships last between eight and twelve months. According to the ad company, she does not think she is at high risk because she does not switch partners every night, like the 'cruiser'.

"From a medical point of view, eight to twelve months is not stable," said DesLauriers.

The ad firm's campaign research implied that people are more receptive to women portrayed in stable relationships.

For this reason, the third ad, to be released on November 7, will also portray a woman. It will aim at persons who have been in very stable relationships for most of their lives and who, for reasons of divorce, death, or breakup, find themselves looking for somebody to share their lives with.

The moment they start looking, says DesLauriers, they put themselves at risk.

The focus of this campaign is to make people aware of the possibilities of contracting an STD and of the facts concerning STDs.

"Most people are not aware that men can also get Chlamydia," said DesLauriers. "The effects are not so prominent and dangerous in the

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Matching funds fail

by Jeanne Iribarne

Two years after the Conservative government revamped university research funding, critics argue that the funding is insufficient and that what little is being made available is tying university research to corporate interests.

In 1986, the Conservative government froze the base grants to Canada's three major university research councils. To compensate, Finance Minister Michael Wilson introduced a "matching funds" policy to encourage industry sponsored research.

The annual funding to universities is a fixed lump sum. Universities are given funds on top of this

which match the corporate sponsorship they solicited the previous year.

"They are trying to beat universities into being better corporate citizens," said Gordon MacLachlan, Dean of Research at McGill. "By putting the entire increase [in funding] into matching funds, they are really steering the universities."

Universities must report their private sector earnings to the councils. The councils collect the funds and redistribute them to projects which are considered industry-related and industry-sponsored.

Universities must seek out private sector research contracts which the federal government then matches dollar for dollar. But the government funds don't go directly

to the university. They are given to the research councils the following year as an addition to their base grant. But the Tories will only match corporate funds if they make up no more than six per cent of the total budget given them by the government.

According to Don Savage, president of the Canadian Association of University Teachers, the funding program has meant less money for researchers. "The matching funds program was combined with a freeze in the base grants to the councils, so that their funding was effectively decreased as a consequence—it became a matter of smoke and mirrors."

Most critics agree that the base

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To the Daily:

By now most of the student body is at least aware of the issue that I feel compelled to write about. Yes, I am referring to the "alleged" sexual assault of a woman in our McGill ghetto, allegedly by fraternity members.

I must say that considering most people are legitimately ignorant of the true story, I can not believe what utter disgust I feel when the students of this institution deal with it as an every day occurrence. People say things, for example, "If she went upstairs with him, she deserved it?!". Alright gentlemen, let us look at this with a bit of perspective. What if this female did go of her own free will with one man, and let us say that this woman was a very close friend of yours or better yet your girlfriend or your sister?? Please, have some compassion. Sexuality is very open amongst the members of our generation, but when did it become perfectly excusable to share a partner... and for others to stand by and watch??? What has become of our mores that we can simply blow this entire incident off, so that it can happen again??? Ever hear of chain reaction crimes???

The message that I bear is a simple one. If we as students support the members of the alleged fraternity, then we are supporting a crime... the worst crime that can be committed against a woman. She has to deal with this nightmare. Imagine the shame, the guilt and worst of all the fear that she has to live with. It is not up to us to bring justice unto this victim, but we should at least recognize that a crime has been committed and that those who are found guilty should pay for their actions. If they don't get it in court, it will get them via their conscience... awake or worse, in their dreams. So stop judging her... judge the animals that were so vially disgusting to have done such an inexcusable act. I hope that the real truth will tell the real story and that justice will be done.

An Anonymous Morally
Upstanding Fraternity
Member

To the Daily:

"...I think the part of us that stays a kid is the part of us that keeps us alive. It's the part that can hope for a better tomorrow because it can forget the hurt that's been done to it today. It's the part of us that stays innocent enough to trust and forgive the people who hurt us... And it's the part of us that believes that just because we don't have the ans

wers doesn't mean there are no answers. It just means that we haven't found them yet."

from *Rusty's Story*

...Does coming to university mean that I must forget how to trust others? Does "growing" in this new environment mean that I must "grow" suspicious of other's intentions? Why should I have to walk in fear? Must I lose my innocence of hope for a better tomorrow? A tomorrow where human rights are respected not violated.

...I don't have the answers... it just means that I haven't found them yet. Will I ever find them at McGill?

The Concerned

To the Daily:

As an executive member on the Interfraternity Council I have obviously been extremely concerned, even distressed, about the alleged rape at Zeta Psi. Too often the immediate response to such an emotional issue is action before careful consideration of the situation and issues involved. For this reason, the IFC has decided to

closely examine the FACTS as they unfold, and THEN to handle the situation accordingly. We refuse to treat this matter lightly, or to ignore our responsibilities to the Greek community and the students of McGill as a whole. If, in fact, we find the Zeta Psi Fraternity to be guilty of the accusations made against them, we are prepared to use the full extent of our powers to punish them in order to serve justice, and in the hopes of restoring the high integrity of the Greek community. However, we refuse to make any hasty condemnations before we get the FACTS straight,

even at the expense of immediate justice.

Yet the *Daily's* decision to print a front page article on such an important issue, without regard to the accuracy of the facts, is completely irresponsible. I am not referring to the "allegeds" in the article, but to the most basic objective facts. If you check your calendar, September 22 (the day the alleged incident took place) was not a Saturday, as stated in the article two times, but a Thursday. Much more critical errors were made in your comments about the IFC's response. Contrary to your article, it is NOT true that we will "no longer recognize Zeta Psi Fraternity." We are calling a judicial hearing and will base our action upon the findings of those proceedings. Again, it is NOT true that "once a fraternity loses their ("its" is correct grammar) charter for a chapter at McGill they can

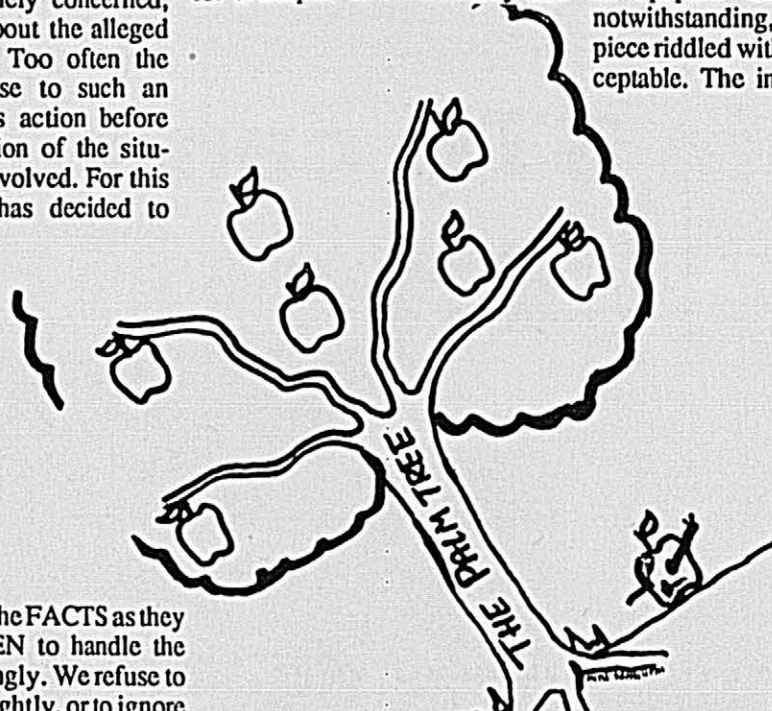
never establish here again." I suggest that Ms. Valihora get her facts straight BEFORE writing a front page article, and that this very sensitive issue is dealt in the future with some professional and responsible reporting.

Richard B. Levy
U3 Political Science/History
Liaison Officer MIFC

Ed. note: "that this very sensitive issue be dealt" is correct grammar.

To the Daily:

In response to the October 7 edition of the *Daily*, the paper succumbed to the appeal of sensationalism, à la *National Enquirer*, with its report of an alleged gang rape. As a result, the paper is the victim of poor news gathering and reporting. We, as responsible members of society with a conscience, all condemn such deviant acts of gross sexual assault, however, to deal with it and approach it in such a manner is a gross assault on our intelligence. Would it not have been better to write a more thought-provoking and researched article to try and understand and prevent such behaviour, rather than writing such an inaccurate and loosely organized piece? We all understand the need and right to report the news, which is vital to all newspapers—the *McGill Daily* notwithstanding, but to print such a piece riddled with fallacies is unacceptable. The information on the



place, (and by all means, it is not to be discarded away lightly), but why forsake decency and treat the incident so callously? What the *Daily* has in effect done is open itself to future repercussions, which it will rightly deserve if it continues this type of 'news reporting'.

Richard K. Plante
U1 Psychology
Member of IFC

To the Daily:

What a pity it had to be an actual physical, abusive and degrading act that has finally put the authorities' spotlight on the Zeta Psi Fraternity. Your story in the *Daily* on Friday about the alleged gang rape came as no surprise. As neighbours who have long had to endure the exceptionally shameless and inconsiderate behaviour of the frat's inmates, reading that in addition to their blaring music and their loud drunken buffoonery at all hours of the night, they also engage in sexual abuse and misconduct, was quite in keeping with the image neighbours have of this redbrick madhouse.

If it is anger that you read between the lines, then I am not emphatic enough. When people are forced to stay awake, sometimes twice a week, till four or five in the morning, when people must call the police and lodge a complaint and still go to bed the next night only to awaken at some unearthly hour like two or three, to hear this din of deafening rock music, and most, when people feel helpless, that no matter what they do—speak to the obnoxious offenders, call the police, contact McGill authorities—there appears to be no way of addressing the situation which is clearly unjust, then the feeling one has is not anger but rage.

I was told that to belong to a fraternity was supposedly a prestigious thing. To be quite honest, my experience of being close to one has convinced me that a frat is a rooming-house for delinquents and it would be a shame to belong to one. The consistently insensitive, noisy, drunken misconduct of the "nice guys" who live in Zeta Psi is merely indicative of their ability to be physically and sexually abusive as well.

You say in your article that the Crown is handling the case: I'm pretty sure if they need votes to evict the offenders and close down the frat, they will have many. On behalf of some neighbours of the frat, I'd like to express our sympathy for the girl who was allegedly raped. Maybe others will realise that those "nice guys" who provide massive bowls of punch to establish their frat's gregarious reputation for great booze may not be so nice after all!

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World media has consistently ignored the participation of Palestinian women in the uprising in the occupied territories. The Palestinian mother fighting with the Israeli soldier taking her son is a familiar image, but women account for a much more important, and organized, part of the resistance.

BY PAMELA KLASSEN

The *intifada*, which has been sustained on the West Bank and Gaza since December 1987, is a coordinated effort by the Palestinians to oppose the Israeli occupation through strikes, boycotts, demonstrations, and general civil disobedience.

The Women's Work Committee is a PLO affiliated organization playing a major role in the current Palestinian uprising. There are many different versions of WWCs, all of which concentrate on providing jobs and childcare for women. Leila is the coordinator of one WWC which attracts all types of women. While I was there both young and old women dropped by the office, dressed in traditional Islamic clothing or in more Westernized garb. Leila broke with tradition before many other Palestinian (or Canadian)

community."

A WWC worker stressed this idea of self-reliance, saying "we are very opposed to charity...it is stultifying and limiting, as well as contrary to individual or community development."

Self-reliance is forcing women into situations that break with tradition in a radical way, situations that may seem commonplace to Western eyes.

"I shall never forget that first day when I took the bus at six o'clock in the morning from the village to Jerusalem to do errands for the Cooperative," says an MCC Embroidery Cooperative worker. "The other passengers, all male labourers, stared at me strangely. I was shy and could not raise my face, thinking of what was going through their minds. It was a forty minute

ANY DEMAND FOR EQUALITY MUST DEMAND THE SAME RIGHTS FOR ALL OCCUPANTS. YOU CAN ONLY GO SO FAR IF YOU IGNORE THE RELATION BETWEEN THE CONFLICT AND THE SITUATION OF WOMEN.

women, by studying physics at Cairo University. She chose not to continue in research because she wanted to work as a Palestinian for Palestinians. A teacher, Leila has been held in administrative detention by the Israeli military government (imprisonment without a trial for a period of six months) a number of times. She continues to work with women through the WWC.

"The WWCs started from ideology and are now working with women. They're not registered with the Israeli government, but they're not exactly illegal. They have projects such as kindergartens, embroidery workshops, and now income-generating projects are important," says Mona, a worker with the Mennonite Central Committee in East Jerusalem, which began a women's embroidery cooperative, now run entirely by the women themselves.

The history of the WWCs begins with the Israeli occupation of the West Bank and Gaza after the 1967 Six Day War. It fulfilled needs which were largely those of the rural population who comprised 70 per cent of the Palestinian population. These rural women were usually confined to their homes as wives and mothers, without much contact with the world outside their village.

Consequently, as journalist Nadia Hijab writes, the WWCs could not wait for women to come to them, nor could they barge into the villages. "The WWC did not impose itself on the village women. It began by inviting those who would come to a meeting, and asked them what they thought their problems were. The WWC representatives would then ask the village women what solutions they thought were likely to be able to offer a solution for the

trip but it felt like it took more than two hours."

These WWCs are crucial to the sustenance of the 10-month *intifada* because they have helped transform Palestinian political activity. Once focusing on military action, the Palestinian resistance now effects social and nation-building creative activity. By providing support to the Palestinian family at a time when administrative detentions, deaths and deportations are threatening its strength, the WWCs are supporting the key social structure of present Palestinian society. The economic effects of the occupation, and women's increased mobility, are changing gender roles.

According to Azmy Bishara, a professor at Birzeit University on the West Bank, "the *intifada* is an uprising of women and youth. They have a strong role not only in the liberated classes. Women in the (refugee) camps are especially active. The potential for strengthening women in the future is there, but it might not be translated into power—that depends on social forces. We must strengthen the ideological discussion now."

Palestinian women do receive some support from their Israeli counterparts. Since the *intifada*, seven protest movements have formed, made up entirely of women. The 'Women in Black' demonstrate every Friday afternoon outside Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir's residence. 'Women against the Occupation' have adopted Palestinian women detained by the Israeli military government as 'prisoners of conscience', and are trying to make their cases known to the public. Another group showed slides of Israeli mistreatment of Palestinians in a Tel Aviv

WOMEN OF THE INTIFADA

square.

According to Israeli feminist Nomi Chazan, a professor at Hebrew University, "any demand for equality must demand the same rights for all occupants. An arbitrary line between equality for women and other occupants is incongruous. You can only go so far if you ignore the relation between the conflict and the situation of women. Women cannot avoid the political situation." Chazan says that polls show 80 per cent of Israeli women advocate direct negotiation with the PLO. "One women's peace group has made a tablecloth for the negotiating table... We need the courage to make the connection between the conflict and women."

For Palestinian women the conflict is very tangible. Abeer is a nineteen-year-old woman who had just begun her studies at Birzeit University when the Israelis shut down the West Bank and Gazan education system. She fills her time teaching at the home schools set up by university students for the younger children. "I think of myself as a Palestinian then a woman, maybe because of the uprising. Everything is the uprising, my suffering. My whole future is dependent on this thing, this time."

Members of her family have come

home beaten by Israeli soldiers. Two of her cousins, when walking holding hands, as many Arab men do, were jeered at by some soldiers who then ordered them to get into

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their jeep. The three soldiers took the two unarmed Palestinians to a deserted road and beat them. One finally escaped, and the soldiers left the other cousin to stumble home with a broken arm, his face bruised and bleeding from repeated kicks.

There is no legal channel to protest such arbitrary attacks, but for Abeer and most women, such direct threats demand a response. "Women are sharing everything with men...she'll run to the jeep and protect her son by slapping and hitting the soldier. Maybe the man is the one who throws the stones, but she's the one who helps in everything. She brings him the stones."

In the refugee camps the situation is even more intense. Samia, a 17-year-old woman from a refugee camp near Jerusalem is in the Mount David Hospital with a fractured arm that may have to be amputated. She was hurt when "leaving from school, I was standing with a young man from my street. We heard shooting and we saw another young man running with soldiers following and shouting. When he was running his leg twisted and he fell down, the soldiers were shouting, 'Stop or we'll shoot you.' I followed when I heard this. I said to the soldiers 'Why do you shoot?' Then they shot me from five metres away. They left me bleeding and forbade the others to move me for an hour."

The bullet used to shoot Samia was a dum-dum bullet that shatters when it enters its target. It destroyed Samia's elbow as she crooked it to protect her head while leaning over her injured friend.

The occupation is exacting a heavy toll on the lives of Palestinians. Since December, 295 Palestinians and six Israelis have been killed in the Occupied Territories. Even with such pressure, Palestinian women like Leila and Samia are creating resistance that is both organized and spontaneous. They are crucial to keeping alive the 'steadfastness' of the *intifada*.

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Last year's MIRA election committee decided only students enrolled in certain core courses were eligible to vote. Students had to produce transcripts to prove this to get on the list of voters. Last year transcripts cost \$4.

But Morningstar said the elections were carried out in the same manner as previous years, and added that the voting process has been "enshrined in historical precedence".

Last spring, the ASUS accused MIRA of making excessive demands for identification from some students in order to vote, while allowing those they recognized to vote without even showing a student card.

"There were three separate cases of people not on the list who were allowed to vote anyway. MIRA determined criteria for voting, which is fine, and then changed it. They can't have it both ways," said Boal.

According to Boal, by requiring students to produce proof they were IR students, the polling station volunteers effectively prevented all

students they did not recognize from voting.

The ASUS also claimed scrutineers were influencing voters against certain candidates.

Scrutineers were heard referring to candidates in a biased manner. One candidate was referred to as "the one with the carring" and the other as "the one with experience".

But Morningstar said ASUS never made a legal, itemized list of the allegations made against the MIRA election committee. "We never had an itemized complaint so we didn't know what evidence to produce to support ourselves," she said.

Morningstar also said ASUS had a proposal to annul the elections before any of the evidence was heard, and they ignored MIRA's defence.

Morningstar accused the ASUS of procedural negligence in their decision to overturn the elections. "Their meeting was a procedural nightmare," she said.

"We asked very simple questions and everyone knows what the pollster said about the candidates,"

Boal said

"We were elected on the assumption that we would make fair decisions. In light of the evidence we feel that the elections were unfair and that they should be redone. It's in everyone's interest and we are unanimous on this decision."

Boal added, "Last year's MIRA executive doesn't agree that the elections were influenced by comments and procedures. Mostly, Barbara Morningstar is concerned with clearing her name and gives little, if any, regard to the fact that IR students are without an association."

Many Industrial Relations students are not aware that they should have an association because neither the ASUS or last year's MIRA have informed them, and new students have not had an orientation session.

The final Judicial Board hearing will be on Tuesday, October 18 at 20:00h in Room 302 of the Union Building.

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male, but they spread it around."

As yet, the little feedback they have received from the advertising campaign has been positive. Research will be conducted at the end of it to see how successful they were.

The advertisements are being shown on both English and French television stations and in CEGEP and University newspapers. They will run six weeks each, lasting until December 12. The third ad will only be shown on television, as it is geared towards an older audience.

Leveille, Vickers, and Benson decided not to print the advertisements in major newspapers because the ads do not deal with a topic people want to talk about. "Students are more receptive to these concerns," said DesLauriers.

"The ad, promotes the stereotype that men treat women like objects," said Vivian, a second year Arts student.

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funds should not have been frozen.

They argue that the matching funds policy should have been added on top of increased funding. In response to this criticism, the government announced an increase to the base grants in June of this year.

\$240 million will be pumped into the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC), Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) and the Medical Research Council (MRC) over the next five years.

Savage doesn't think this will alleviate chronic underfunding. "That increase is over the next four or five years and most of it comes in the fourth or fifth year, so that this year, the increase is less than the cost of living. We still think they should double the base grants."

Gilles Julien, the executive vice-president of NSERC, agreed. "It's very nice to say that it will be \$200 million, it's also very nice to say that it will be over five years. But what they never say is how it's going to be paid."

"You know, with an election coming up... The first payment is very small, and it is very easy to cut it [further installments] later," he said.

Alan Fox, Senior Policy Analyst of the SSHRC, is concerned universities will be forced to rely upon corporate sponsorship. "We had some concerns about the program and about how appropriate this policy is for the human sciences," he said.

"While there are some areas where we would encourage a linkage between industry and universities, primarily in the areas of management, economics, and psychology, it would be more feasible if funding for the others could be provided from our base grant."

Since the universities are responsible for attracting private sector sponsorships, arts and human-

ities subjects suffered under the program.

"Arts didn't fit in terribly well. They don't seem to manage to attract private donors and we don't have the manpower to go out and seek donations," said MacLachlan. "As a result, the federal government has really targeted research."

The definition of 'private sector' in the scheme is another problem. Some sponsorships from crown corporations or schools boards have been declared ineligible. On the other hand, university endowment funds are considered part of the private sector. This difficulty, say critics, undermines the purpose of the program.

"I think it's a bit of a sham," said MacLachlan, "namely, they say the policy is to increase the amount of private funding when in fact all the universities have done is added up their private endowments."

The SSHRC met its targets of private sector funding last year, and expects to meet its targets again next year. But Savage is skeptical the SSHRC will be able to secure the increasingly higher private sector grants necessary to maintain their standards of research in years to come. "I just wonder if that's realistic," he said.

Other councils are having trouble with the policy. "We have had to make it work, that's for sure. We had to make it attractive to the private sector," said Julien. "And we have to seek reports from the universities because the funds are not directed on a one-to-one basis."



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To the Daily:

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In the Gazette of Wednesday,

October 12, Ms. Coté was quoted as saying, "There is a lot of negative feeling towards them [Zeta-Psi Fraternity]... It does not participate in charity events. Its members have lower grade point averages than any other fraternity." This is completely false, the fraternity has been

responsible for a plethora of charitable contributions throughout its history at McGill: Last year Zeta Psi raised nearly \$1300 for Montréal's Child Find with a skiathon, they hold a dinner every Christmas in which they invite a group of underprivileged kids to give them all the turkey they can eat.

Concerning the second half of her statement, student academic records are strictly confidential; therefore, there would be no way of knowing what exactly their combined GPA is. And if she does I challenge her to present the evidence, but I think the five honours students in the fraternity might have something to say.

There have been numerous other examples where people in office as well as other students have been too quick to speak with insufficient knowledge, (see "McGill Frat Rape Probed;" "ulterior motives," *Montréal Daily News*, October 7). Not only has no one been convicted, no one has even been charged following a formal complaint lodged by a nineteen year-old McGill student that she had been raped at the Zeta-Psi house at a party last week. We have a system that might not be perfect but we rely on it to make decisions on these matters for us; if someone knows something that will help this process then by all means come forth. If not then wait for a decision from those whose job it is to find out the truth before formulating opinions yourself.

I am not commenting on what went on that evening, and in the words of Mr. Irwin Gopnik, McGill's Dean of Students, "if this turns out to be true, we think it is reprehensible, horrible and awful." But that is a very big if and one, personally, not I nor any other person except the proper authorities has the right to decide on.

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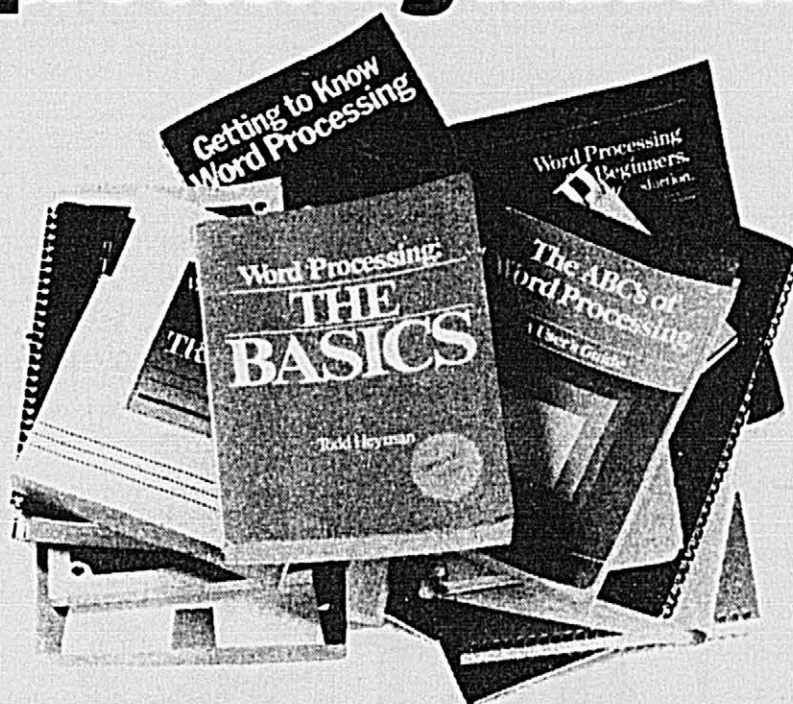
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